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SCHOOL OF EDUCATION<br>MASTER OF EDUCATION`

## COURSE CODE: EPS 8101

 COURSE TITLE: EDUCATION STATISTICSINSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Answer any THREE questions.


## QUESTION ONE

a) Describe FIVE functions of statistics in education research
(5 marks )
b) Differentiate between the following terms used in educational research statistics:
i) Null hypothesis and alternate hypothesis
ii) Descriptive statistics and inferential statistics
iii) Continuous and discrete variable
iv) Parametric test and non-parametric tests
v) Percentile rank and percentile point
(5 marks)
c) Given the following data of scores derived from a Research Methods test,

| Class Interval | Frequency |
| :--- | :--- |
| $51-53$ | 8 |
| $48-50$ | 6 |
| $45-47$ | 5 |
| $42-44$ | 3 |
| $39-41$ | 2 |
| $36-38$ | 1 |
| $33-35$ | 2 |
| $30-32$ | 1 |

Compute mode, median, mean, variance and standard deviation for the above data

## QUESTION TWO

a) Using examples, describe various scales of measurements of data.
(4 marks)
b) Distinguish between the following:
i. Type I error and type II error
ii. Frequency polygon and ogive
iii. Significance level and confidence level
iv. Skewness and kurtosis.
(4 marks)
Given below is a set of 80 scores obtained from a Statistics test.

| 47 | 94 | 69 | 68 | 47 | 51 | 78 | 62 | 55 | 53 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 79 | 81 | 86 | 78 | 88 | 55 | 69 | 53 | 58 | 87 |
| 82 | 65 | 68 | 71 | 50 | 76 | 74 | 53 | 56 | 71 |
| 77 | 50 | 65 | 79 | 70 | 40 | 69 | 97 | 45 | 68 |


| 59 | 85 | 80 | 74 | 42 | 61 | 73 | 57 | 64 | 50 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 62 | 79 | 75 | 91 | 68 | 50 | 64 | 44 | 64 | 76 |
| 91 | 69 | 59 | 68 | 50 | 68 | 66 | 55 | 50 | 70 |
| 73 | 50 | 77 | 81 | 58 | 62 | 68 | 84 | 55 | 46 |

Prepare a complete grouped frequency distribution table for the above data, which should have eight columns (class, real class limits, tally marks, frequency, and midpoints, less than cumulative frequency and more than cumulative frequency. Take a class -interval of size 5, width 40-44 as the lowest class-interval.
(12 marks)

## QUESTION THREE

a) A preliminary test and final test were given to 10 candidates for a counseling job. the following data of marks were obtained:
Preliminary test: 92,89,87,86,83,77,71,63,53,50.
Final test: $\quad 86,83,91,77,68,85,52,82,37,57$.
Calculate the spearman's rank correlation coefficient for the data.
(12 marks)
b) Grades on a semester examination in a course in a university are normally distributed with $\mathrm{m}=78$ and $\mathrm{Sd}=8$. The lecturer in charge wants to award a grade A to $10 \%$ of the student. What is the least score x , that can be designated an A on the examination results?
(8 marks)

## QUESTION FOUR

a) With examples, explain the meaning of the following statistical concepts;
i) Standardization
ii) Normalization
iii) Standard score
iv) Percentile rank
v) Z-score
(5 marks)
b) Given a mean of 40 and a standard deviation of 16 , complete the following table:

| $X$ | Z | T-score | Stanine |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 10 |  |  |  |
| 26 |  |  |  |
| 38 |  |  |  |
| 42 |  |  |  |
| 44 |  |  |  |

(15 Marks)

## QUESTION FIVE

The table below is a contingency table showing numbers of two groups of students differing in ability, who passed a statistics test.

| Outcome | Low intelligence <br> group | High intelligence <br> group | Total |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Passed | 48 | 62 | 110 |
| Failed | 52 | 38 | 90 |
| Total | 100 | 100 | 200 |

Compute a chi-square for the above data and test for significance at 0.05 level

